

b.) Amendments to the Specification

(b.1.) Replace the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 11, with the following:

Figure 2 also shows the internal workings ~~[[38]]~~ 28 of the database program. When the database program extracts 32 the desired Drawing Note from the database, it also
5 keeps the reference ID as a link to the Specifications Text Block, contained in a companion database. When the user places the Drawing Note just found into the current drawing 34, the reference ID is also maintained in the database of the current Project 36. In addition, this reference ID, or tag, 46, is also embedded into the current Drawing Note 42 data stored within the drawing 40 itself. The CADD program 44 contains its own
10 CADD database wherein Drawing Notes are referenced and arranged to create a Drawing.

(b.2.) Replace the paragraph beginning on page 14, line 13, with the following:

Referring next to Figure 4, a screen snapshot of the INSERT window shows how the Drawing Notes are entered into the CADD Drawing. The user first selects the Project by
15 means of the button entitled "Project Name", located to the left of the project window 76. The Project is selected, and saved, using a file name reserved for this purpose.

(b.3.) Replace the paragraph beginning on page 15, line 12, with the following:

Referring now to Figure 5, the pull-down list 80 lists all MASTERSPEC Divisions of the MASTERSPEC code of Figure 4, and the MASTERSPEC Section numbers of Figure
20 4 are displayed in a pull-down list below, together with a select (PICK) button 82, if a different Section number than that displayed needs to be selected. The text of the Drawing Note is displayed in the central window 84 of this display, where it may be created from scratch in this window which operates as a basic text processor. The

Drawing Note text may alternatively be picked from the screen of the CADD program by clicking on the "Pick from Screen" button 96, which will import the text from the screen into the central window 84. As another alternative, the user may select "Add All Notes in Drawing" 94, which sequentially allows the user to add all the notes in the Drawing into
5 the database.

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CHANGES**

(b.4.) Replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 5, with the following:
Figure 3 depicts an exemplary drawing typical of those produced by use of a CADD
10 system, containing Drawing Entities with which the current invention interacts.
Figure 4 depicts a window of a ~~WINDOWS~~ WINDOWS® implementation of the current invention, allowing for the complete management of a database of Drawing Notes, including commanding the creation/editing of Drawing Entities, more specifically Drawing Notes, and searching for, retrieval of, and insertion into a CADD Drawing of
15 Drawing Notes.

(b.5.) Replace the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 10, with the following:
The tags, or links, contain an index which allows for the organization of the Specifications Text Blocks in a desired sequence. A preferred indexing system in an Architectural Design environment is known as 'MASTERSPEC'® and is published and
20 maintained by the American Institute of Architects, the representative body for architectural professionals. Furthermore, Drawing Notes may be stored by the Linking Software for easy reuse or maintenance, with corollary benefits of time savings and increased accuracy. At the end of the Project and at the user's request, all Drawing Notes

in all CADD Drawings identified by the user as comprising the Project are examined by the Linking Software and a list of links to associated Specifications Text Blocks is built, arranged hierarchically according to the ~~MASTERSPEC~~ MASTERSPEC® numbering system. The Linking Software then assembles a complete Specifications Document by
5 creating a new file and moving down the list one entry at a time and appending that entry's associated Specifications Text Block to the end of the new file until the list has been completed. The new file is then closed and named by the user. At this point the file, which represents the completed Specifications Document, is available to the user for printing or electronic transfer.

10 (b.6.) Replace the paragraph beginning on page 17, line 1, with the following:

Editing is done with the assistance of a LOAD button 104, a SAVE button 106, a SAVE AS button 108, and CUT, COPY, and PASTE buttons. These buttons perform the same functions as in the usual WINDOWS®¹-based word processors, including ~~MS WORD~~ MS WORD®.

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